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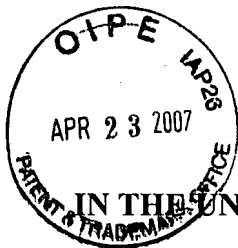
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In re the Application of:

SIRIMANNE et al.

Serial No.: 09/869,282

Filed: June 18, 2002

For: DEVICE AND METHOD FOR SAFE
LOCATION AND MARKING OF A
BIOPSY CAVITY

Group Art Unit: 3768

Examiner: Lawrence N. Laryea

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One reference is in a language other than the English language. A concise explanation of relevance is given below (English language abstract and title).

**WO 96/27328 - DEVICE FOR LOCATING SUSPICIOUS BREAST LESIONS, AND
APPARATUS FOR POSITIONING SAME**

A device for locating suspicious lesions detected by mammography. The device is useful for locating small breast lesions detected by mammography and includes an anchoring means consisting of one or more flexible resilient elements that remain straight during the positioning process and bend once they are positioned, as well as at least one wire that is no shorter than the implantation depth of the anchoring means in the breast. An apparatus is also provided for positioning said device and includes a combination of a hollow needle (16) or cannula that is no shorter than the implantation depth of the anchoring means in the breast, a rod (17) that may be inserted into the cannula to push back the anchoring means fitted into the cannula lumen, and a releasable locking portion (19) arranged between the base of the cannula and the base of the rod. The device is useful for locating microcalcifications to enable optimal ablation thereof.

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Respectfully submitted,

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	2.	6,231,834	05-15-2001	Unger et al.	

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

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